

PREFACE

THERE are many works on Conveyancing. Some are by eminent members of the Bar and are erudite. Some are by practising solicitors and are practical. Then there are books of precedents—invaluable works—and containing innumerable explanatory notes.

It may truthfully be said that there have been more works on conveyancing issued within the last few years than on any other legal subject. The new property statutes of 1925 with their important changes in the law of real and leasehold property caused a huge demand for explanatory works. But with them all there is still room for another volume on the same subject. The other works presuppose an extensive knowledge of conveyancing. This volume is for the young practitioner or the clerk, who comes into an office with little knowledge of real property law and practice, and, dipping his head into one of the conveyancing treatises on the bookshelves he is bewildered by its language.

This work is couched in simple language—explaining all that might prove a stumbling-block, avoiding copious references to Acts of Parliament and decided cases, but enabling the reader to commence his acquaintance with conveyancing work without that spirit of hopelessness which

overcomes us on trying to commence
learning
algebra at Chapter **XXX** or to study
Greek by
perusing a Greek Testament.